MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from Government whether the Government are aware that Attingal is a Municipal town and that there is thick population there?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): I have no information as to the thickness of the population.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from Government whether the Government are aware that at least for maternity cases a dispensary has to be started and a Lady Medical Officer appointed at Attingal?

MR. JAMES SIMPSOM (*Darbar Physician*): I do not know whether the needs of Attingal are anything more than the needs met by the grant-in-aid hospital there.

MR M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): May I know whether there is a hospital in or near about Attingal?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): Yes, there is a hospital at Attingal.

ADJOURNMENT MOTION.

PRESIDENT: Well, the question time has expired now. I have to inform the House that I have received a bunch of motions for adjournment of the House. It would be convenient if I should, in the first place, deal with one motion in particular, which, you will see for the reasons that I am going to mention will be rejected as out of order. The one that I am now referring to is:

> "I wish to ask for leave to move for an adjournment of the business of the House to consider a specific matter of urgent public importance; the situation that has arisen in the country owing to the widespread feeling that the Cochin Harbour agreement of 1925 is to be varied to the detriment of Travancore interests."

Well, I shall not enter into the variety of reasons for which, perhaps, I must rule that the motion is rejected. At present, I will only point out to the House that these negotiations at the present moment are in a very delicate stage and it is not in the public interests to allow any discussion on the floor of the House. For that reason, I rule that motion out of order.

Then, there are, I think, six motions, more or less of the same nature. They all deal with the present economic situation of the country, more particularly in view of the failure of the crops.

The first motion is by Mr. Changanachery K. Parameswaran Pillai which runs as follows:—

> "I have applied to the President for permission to move for an adjournment of the House to-day to discuss a matter of urgent public importance *viz.*, the situation caused by the failure of the paddy crops in 1110 owing to the failure of the last two monsoons. The Makaram crop has been destroyed by drought and the paddy plants in *Punja* fields have been destroyed by worms. It is therefore necessary that the land tax on paddy lands should be remitted for the year's

There is another motion by Mr. A. S. Damodaran Asan:

> "I wish to ask for leave for an adjournment of the business of the House to consider a specific matter of urgent public importance *i. e.*,

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